

**Spokane County**  
**Candidate Filing Week**  
**Monday May 12, 2014 through Friday May 16, 2014**

**Online Filing** begins at 9:00 a.m. on Monday May 12, 2014 and continues through 4:00 p.m. on Friday May 16, 2014. All candidate filing fees must be received by 4:00 p.m. on Friday May 16, 2014.

**In Person filing** begins at 8:30 a.m. on Monday May 12, 2014 and ends promptly at 4:00 p.m. Friday May 16, 2014. The completed candidate filing form and the payment of any filing fees must be submitted to the filing officer by 4:00 p.m. on Friday May 16, 2014. Incomplete forms or illegible forms will not be returned for completion or clarification after 4:00 p.m. on Friday May 16, 2014.

**Filing fees** are nonrefundable, even if you withdraw or file for the wrong office.

Only **single office filings** are allowed. Excluding the office of precinct committee officer, no person may file for more than one office.

**Withdrawal of candidacy** forms must be received by the filing officer by 4:00 p.m. on Monday May 19, 2014 if you decide you do not want your name on the ballot. Withdrawal forms are available at the Spokane County Elections Office or online at [www.spokanecounty.org/elections](http://www.spokanecounty.org/elections). The form must be properly completed and signed. Filing fees are nonrefundable, even if you withdraw or file for the wrong office.

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**RCW 29A.24.040**  
**Declaration of candidacy — Electronic filing.**

A candidate may file his or her declaration of candidacy for an office by electronic means on a system specifically designed and authorized by a filing officer to accept filings.

(1) Filings that are received electronically must capture all information specified in RCW [29A.24.031](#) (1) through (4).

(2) Electronic filing may begin at 9:00 a.m. the first day of the filing period and continue through 4:00 p.m. the last day of the filing period.

**RCW 29A.24.050****Declaration of candidacy — Certain offices, when filed.**

Except where otherwise provided by this title, declarations of candidacy for the following offices shall be filed during regular business hours with the filing officer beginning the Monday two weeks before Memorial day and ending the following Friday in the year in which the office is scheduled to be voted upon:

- (1) Offices that are scheduled to be voted upon for full terms or both full terms and short terms at, or in conjunction with, a state general election; and
- (2) Offices where a vacancy, other than a short term, exists that has not been filled by election and for which an election to fill the vacancy is required in conjunction with the next state general election.

This section supersedes all other statutes that provide for a different filing period for these offices.

**RCW 29A.24.075****Qualifications for filing, appearance on ballot.**

- (1) A person filing a declaration of candidacy for an office shall, at the time of filing, be a registered voter and possess the qualifications specified by law for persons who may be elected to the office.
- (2) Excluding the office of precinct committee officer or a temporary elected position such as a charter review board member or freeholder, no person may file for more than one office.
- (3) The name of a candidate for an office shall not appear on a ballot for that office unless, except for judge of the superior court and as provided in RCW [3.50.057](#), the candidate is, at the time the candidate's declaration of candidacy is filed, properly registered to vote in the geographic area represented by the office. For the purposes of this section, each geographic area in which registered voters may cast ballots for an office is represented by that office. If a person elected to an office must be nominated from a district or similar division of the geographic area represented by the office, the name of a candidate for the office shall not appear on a primary ballot for that office unless the candidate is, at the time the candidate's declaration of candidacy is filed, properly registered to vote in that district or division. The officer with whom declarations of candidacy must be filed under this title shall review each such declaration filed regarding compliance with this subsection.
- (4) The requirements of voter registration and residence within the geographic area of a district do not apply to candidates for congressional office. Qualifications for the United States congress are specified in the United States Constitution.